

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-4. **(Cancelled)**

5. **(Currently amended)** A fuel injection system (3, 17, 20) of an internal combustion engine, the system comprising

at least one local ~~cam~~ driven pump element (1) per engine cylinder, associated with each injector (2), of a unit fuel injector or a pump-line-nozzle system for compressing the fuel,

a supply line from the pump element supplying fuel to the injector (2), the injector (2) and/or the supply line to the injector (2) forming a local pressure reservoir chamber,

a check valve (9) integrated into the supply line from the pump element (1) to the injector (2), a control valve (8) located upstream of the cam driven pump element for generating high pressure in the closed state of the control valve (8) during the cam stroke, and a throttle (16; 18) for controlling the pressure decrease of a nozzle chamber (11) of the injector.

6. **(Previously presented)** The fuel injection system according to claim 5, further comprising a throttle (16) connected parallel to the check valve (9).

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7. **(Currently amended)** The fuel injection system according to claim 6, further comprising a pressure-holding valve (19) connected in series with the throttle ~~(θ)~~ **(16)**.

8. **(Previously presented)** The fuel injection system according to claim 5, wherein the supply line from the pump element (1) to the injector (2) is connected to a control chamber of the injector (2) via a valve unit (15).